

**DRAFTER'S NOTE**  
**FROM THE**  
**LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU**

LRB-1603/P1dn  
TAY:jlg:km

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1. Section 16.47 (2), stats., states that neither house may pass any bill containing an appropriation, increasing the cost of state government or decreasing state revenues by more than \$10,000 annually until both houses pass the executive budget bill, except that the governor or joint committee on finance or, under certain circumstances, the committee on organization of either house may enact emergency appropriation bills prior to the passage of the executive budget bill.

Note that, if this bill is introduced and enacted as an emergency measure prior to passage of the budget, the appropriation set forth in this bill will be repealed by action of the budget bill (which repeals and recreates the appropriations schedule). You may instead wish to consider having this bill drafted as an amendment to the budget bill to include the correct appropriation line amount. Alternatively, you may wish to include an effective date that is later than the projected date for passage of the budget bill. Finally, you may instead wish to introduce this bill for potential passage after the passage of the budget bill. If you choose this option, please check with me after budget passage to ensure that the cross references in this bill are still accurate and that the numbers for created statutes in the bill have not been supplanted by the budget bill.

2. 1999 SB-45 (the budget bill) repeals s. 46.765. Section 46.765, which, regardless of the repeal, sunsets on July 1, 1999, establishes community-based hunger prevention grants. Please review that section to determine if the activities specified under that section are activities you wish to fund under this bill. If so, again you may wish to consider amending the budget bill to eliminate the repeal of that section and to eliminate the sunset date that is specified in the statute.

3. What are the criteria that an applicant for a grant must meet? Do you want to specify that in statute or require the department of health and family services (DHFS) to specify the criteria by rule?

4. Do you want to specify a maximum amount for a grant? Do you want to specify priorities for awarding of the grants? You had mentioned that you wished to focus on food pantries in rural areas. Do you want to specify that a certain percentage of the grants or a certain dollar amount be awarded in rural areas. And do you want to define "rural" (see, for example, s. 560.17 (1) (d), which defines "rural municipality")?

5. I have specified, per your instructions, that a food pantry that receives a grant must submit a report (I presumed to DHFS) regarding the people served by the food pantry. Under this draft, the report is required not more than one year after the receipt

of the grant. Is that your intent? Do you want DHFS to specify a date instead? Is there any other information that should be included in the report? Do you want DHFS to submit a report as is currently required under s. 46.765 (4)?

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